

DIVISION 2. LICENSING BOARD

Sec. 6-22. Construction Industry Licensing Board of Sumter County.

There is hereby established and continued the Construction Industry Licensing Board of Sumter County which shall hereinafter be referred to as the "licensing board."

- (a) *Powers and duties.* The primary responsibilities of the licensing board shall be as follows:
 - (1) To evaluate and approve/disapprove contractors for local licensing.
 - (2) To act in the capacity of an impartial hearing board for complaints against licensed contractors and to discipline said licensed contractors when warranted.
 - (3) To act in the capacity of an impartial hearing board on reports of unlicensed contractor activity, and to refer said reports to the board when warranted.
- (b) *Appointment, terms and attendance of members.*
 - (1) *Appointment.* The licensing board shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the board. Each member shall be a legal, bona fide resident of the county and meet all other appointee requirements established by the board. There shall be four (4) lay members selected at large and agreed upon by the full board. There shall be five (5) contractor members selected from the county at large, with each commissioner nominating one. All contractors appointed shall hold an active county competency card or a state certified license.
 - (2) *Terms.* The term of office for each contractor member of the licensing board representing a county commissioner shall coincide with the term of the commissioner from that district. The term of office for two (2) of the at large lay members shall coincide with the term for commissioners from districts 1, 3 and 5. The term of office of the remaining two at large lay members shall coincide with the term of office for commissioners from districts 2 and 4. Each member of the licensing board shall serve until his or her successor is qualified and begins serving on the licensing board. Members of the licensing board shall be eligible for re-appointment.
 - (3) *Attendance.* Licensing board members serve at the pleasure of the board and may be suspended or removed for cause. If any member fails to attend two (2) of three (3) successive meetings without cause and approval of the chair, the licensing board may, by majority vote, declare that member's position vacant and notify the board, who shall promptly fill such vacancy. A member who ceases to be a resident of the county, or a contractor member who does not hold a current license, shall be automatically dismissed.
- (c) *Officers.* The licensing board shall elect from among its members a chairman and vice-chairman in January of each year.

- (d) *Meetings.* The licensing board shall meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month (excepting holidays) in the historic courthouse in Bushnell to conduct its regularly scheduled business. The department shall furnish a secretary who shall maintain written minutes of each meeting and provide clerical services for the licensing board.
 - (e) *Quorum and voting.* A quorum for the licensing board shall consist of a simple majority of the active members, three (3) of which shall be from the contractor category. All members of the licensing board shall vote on each motion unless a conflict of interest form is filed with the licensing board secretary or unless otherwise prohibited by law.
 - (f) *Rules and regulations.* The licensing board may establish and adopt rules and regulations, in compliance with this article, for the conduct of its members and shall include such actions in the written minutes of the meeting.
- (Ord. No. 96-2, § 1, 2-20-96; Ord. No. 2002-8, § 1, 4-16-02)

Secs. 6-23, 6-24. Reserved.

DIVISION 3. CONTRACTOR LICENSING

Sec. 6-25. Classification and definitions of contractors.

(a) *Building category.*

- (1) *General Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (2) *Building Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (3) *Residential Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (4) *Specialty Structure Contractor*—For definition See Chapter 61G4 Florida Administrative Code.
- (5) *Commercial Pool/Spa Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (6) *Residential Pool/Spa Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.

(b) *Trades category.*

- (1) *Class A Air Conditioning Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (2) *Class B Air Conditioning Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (3) *Electrical Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part II, F.S.
- (4) *Mechanical Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (5) *Plumbing Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (6) *Roofing Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.
- (7) *Sheet Metal Contractor*—For definition see Chapter 489, Part I, F.S.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-8

AN ORDINANCE OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS FOR SUMTER COUNTY TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE LICENSE BOARD FOR SUMTER COUNTY; TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSE BOARD; TO CHANGE THE APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR COMPETENCY CARDS; TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE CERTIFIED CONTRACTORS; TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF COMPETENCY CARDS; TO CHANGE THE RENEWAL PROCEDURE FOR A COMPETENCY CARD; TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES; TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE SETTING THE AMOUNT OF FEES CHARGED FOR COMPETENCY CARDS; TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE FOR SETTING ADMINISTRATIVE FINES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

WHEREAS, Sumter County has adopted various regulations regarding the licensing of contractors in Sumter County since 1990, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it will be beneficial to the citizens of Sumter County to provide more efficient methods of licensing procedures, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the requirements of the State of Florida concerning contractor licensing and has reviewed existing county procedures, and has determined changes to current procedures will be beneficial to the citizens of Sumter County, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has also determined the imposition of contractor licensing fees is more effectively administered through resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, as follows: